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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith on a modified Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to applicant in order to comply with applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. A copy of each of the listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98.

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### **TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE**

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) within three months of the filing date of the application.

### **RELEVANCE OF THE DOCUMENTS**

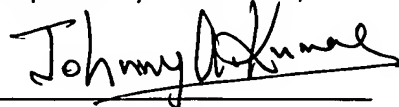
Document A1 discloses a system wherein image data is input by a scanner and stored in an auxiliary memory device. The image data is displayed in reduced size as storage data, and the restoration execution means is described in hypertext. The hypertext is inspected by a general-purpose browser and selected. Thus, the restoration execution means is executed and printing is effected.

Document A2 discloses a system wherein printers on the same floor (of the same group) are searched for, and the locations of installation thereof are determined. Image information is automatically output to the printers in which the same location of installation is registered.

English translations of documents A1 and A2 are not readily available; however, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted documents (37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609). English language abstracts are provided for documents A1 and A2.

Applicant respectfully requests that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	<b>A1</b>	<b>2000-349952</b>	<b>12-15-2000</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
	<b>A2</b>	<b>2000-59560</b>	<b>2-25-2000</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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